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and Administration Wing etc. in the SPG are common for all protecties.

**Action on the Report of Human Rights Commission and CBI on Midnapur massacre**

3493. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the reports of Human Rights Commission and CBI on the Midnapur District in West Bengal massacre;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has taken cognizance of a complaint dated 26.12.2000, alongwith other complaints alleging violation of human rights of innocent villagers in the Midnapore district of West Bengal. As per the provisions contained in Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 (PHR Act), the Commission shall, after enquiry, send its recommendations to the concerned Government or authority and it is for that Government to take action on the same. The matter is under the consideration of the Commission. The High Court at Calcutta is also seized of a writ petition in respect of Midnapore incidents. The NHRC has kept the consideration of the case pending, in view of the writ petition. The Central Bureau of Investigation has registered a case in the matter and the investigations are going on. CBI has not submitted any report to Government so far.

**Repealing of IMDT Act, 1983**

3494. DR. (SHRIMATI) JOYASREE GOSWAMI MAHANTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 293 given in the Rajya Sabha on 15th March, 2000 and state the progress made to repeal the Illegal Migrants (Determination by Tribunals) Act, 1983 and the date by which it will be repealed?